

**DECLARATION OF KAREN CIFRESE**

I, Karen Cifrese, under penalties of perjury, state to the best of my knowledge and belief as follows:

1. I currently am the Senior Vice President of Human Resources of CIT Group Inc. ("CIT"). My office is located in Livingston, New Jersey.

6           2.     In 2008, Student Loan Xpress ("SLX"), one of CIT's wholly owned  
7     subsidiaries, closed its sales and marketing operations in San Diego, California. I addressed  
8     employee-related issues that came up during this process. Other employees in the legal, accounting,  
9     and other corporate support departments in New Jersey also assisted in the transition process.

3. As of April 11, 2008, approximately 85 employees remained in SLX's San  
1 Diego, California office.

2                   4.       As of April 11, 2008, approximately 65 employees worked in SLX's  
3 Cleveland, Ohio and Cincinnati, Ohio offices.

5. As of April 11, 2008, approximately 150 employees worked in Xpress Loan  
5 Servicing, Inc.'s ("XLS") Cleveland, Ohio office. XLS is a wholly owned subsidiary of SLX.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Livingston, New Jersey on July 17, 2008.

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